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Mr. Thomas C. Nash
Attention: C - 14J
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
77 W. Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

RE: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site - Elyria, Ohio

Dear Mr. Nash:

The Rowland Company would like to reiterate (please see enclosed letter) that we have never been involved in the disposal, treatment or transportation of solvents. We are a distributor of hard parts in the industrial power transmission industry.

Additionally, we have never had business relationships with Harshaw/Engelhard Chemical Company, Obitts Chemical Company, Chemical Recovery Systems or any of the other parties named in Attachment 2 - QUESTIONS of your original document dated March 2, 2001. We are not and never have been Rowland Products or have had any involvement with Wilson Freight.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me at (215)455-4900 if you require further information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

Helen E. Yost
Vice President

cc: Ms. Deena Sheppard-Johnson

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March 12, 2001

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Deena Sheppard-Johnson, SR-6J
Remedial Enforcement Support Section
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604

Ref: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site
Elyria, Ohio

Dear Ms. Sheppard-Johnson,

Thank you for returning my phone call on Friday, March 9th. This letter will confirm our discussion that it is THE ROWLAND CO's opinion that they are not involved with the above mentioned site.

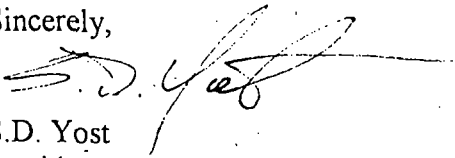
To the best of our knowledge THE ROWLAND CO has never had any business relationships with Harshaw Chemical, Obitis Chemical Co. or Chemical Recovery Systems. As distributors of truck parts, engine parts and currently power transmission components, THE ROWLAND CO has never generated any solvents or been involved in the transportation of solvents.

I did notice that in attachment 8, we are listed as Rowland Products-Wilson Freight. This is a name we have never had any connection with nor do we recognize. Additionally, all the Pennsylvania companies listed seem to be located in the far Western part of the state. None are even remotely connected to Eastern Pennsylvania, where we are located.

Should you have any information contrary to the above, please forward it to my attention for the appropriate investigation and action.

Again, thank-you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,



S.D. Yost
President



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